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LOYOLA ASKS FOR BETTER NATIONAL FOOTBALL RATING

Loyola College Warriors of the Central Canada Intercollegiate Football Conference's east division beast the best defensive record in Canadian college football and are ranked 10th in the National ratings.

The Warriors appeared in the top 10 poll for the first time this week and with good cause. But head coach George Dixon, former star halfback with the CFL Alcuettes was still disappointed as he feels his squad deserved a higher rating.

"The entire CCIFC is under rated and on any given day our squad Waterloo Lutheran or Carleton could surprise any team in the country," remarks Dimon.

University of Alberta Golden Bears, the defending Canadian Bowl champs, are rated No. 1, as they have been all year. Next come Queen's Golden Gaels and Western Mustangs of the OQAA. St. Mary's of the Bluenose Conference is fourth, followed by Carston, Toronto Blues, St. Francis Xavier, University of Manitoba, McGill and finally Loyola.

Loyola, along with Alberta, are the only undefeated teams in the country. The Warriors have won all five of their league games, allowing only 15 points while according 138 against the opposition.

Loyola has improved with every game and hit its peak last Saturday against Facdonald Clansmen, crushing the Clansmen 46-0 with second-stringers in the lineup most of the second half.

Warriors rolled up victories of 27-7 over Sir George Williams, 29-7 over Bishop's Gaiters, 28-0 over Universite de Montreal and 3-1 over Royal Military College prior to last Saturday's one-sided contest. They wind up the schedule against the winless Sir George Squad this Saturday before facing the west section winner the following Saturday for the CCIFC crown.

"It is not our policy to run up humiliating scores to impress the pollsters in any sport. Once we get ahead by three TD's we try to control the game and not roll it up," says Warrior line coach Tony Psjaczkowski.

Dixon and his assistants don't feel there are nine better teams in the country, on paper or on the field. And the man behind the scenes Loyola Athletic Director Ed Enos, a former CFL player and coach concurs; "Our hockey and basketball teams were both rated in the top six across the country last year and the quality of play of our football team should place them in the same general category."

Loyola's defensive line, with an average weight of 225 pounds (Bob Niele 260, Claude Beaudry 220, Brian Marcil 210 and Nickey O'Neil 215) is one of the heaviest and best in eastern Canada.

The offence is also a powerful one and well balanced. The Warriors have the league's leading scorer in Ron Sekeres (38 points) and a triple-threat quarterback in Dave Golding. Golding is a fine runner who can throw the long or short with accuracy. He also handles the team's place kicking duties.

Loyola's only defeat this season was a pre-season exhibition against McGill. George Springate's last-minute field goal salvaged a 19-18 victory for the Redmen. The Warriors scored three unconverted TD's to McGill's two but Springate converted both his team's majors and booted the three-pointer and that was the difference A safety touch accounted for McGill's other points.

"I'm not making any excuses," says Dixon, "but we were just a group of mainly freshmen playing our first game together. We're at least three touchdowns better now and improving all the time."

The complete Loyola varsity basketball schedule is as follows:

Wed. Fri. Tues. Fri. Sat. Fri. Sat.	Oct 31 Nov. 15 Nov. 16 Nov. 20 Nov. 22 Nov. 29 Dec. 3 Dec. 6 Dec. 7 Dec. 13 Dec. 14 Dec. 17	Loyola at Universite de Sherbrooke Loyola at Bishops University Sir George Williams University at Loyola Universite de Montreal at Loyola Royal Military College at Loyola Universite de Sherbrooke at Loyola Tournament at Waterloo University Tournament at Waterloo University New Hampshire College at Loyola Loyola & Potsdan State	3:00 p.m. 3:00 p.m. 2:00 p.m. 3:00 p.m. 6:30 p.m. 8:00 p.m. 7:00 p.m. 8:00 p.m.
Fri. Sat.	Dec. 20 Dec. 21		
Tues. Fri. Tues.	Jan. 3 Jan. 10 Jan. 17 Jan. 18 Jan 20 Jan 25 Jan. 27 Jan. 31 Feb. 5 Feb. 11 Feb. 14 Feb. 13 Feb. 21	Macdonald College at Loyola University of Ottawa at Loyola Waterloo University at Loyola Fort Kent State University at Loyola Loyola at Carleton University Loyola vs. Plattsburgh at Ealone N.Y. Loyola at Royal Eilitary College Loyola at Macdonald College Loyola at Macdonald College Loyola at Sir George Williams University	8:00 p.m. 6:00 p.m. 2:00 p.m. 8:00 p.m. 8:00 p.m. 8:00 p.m. 8:15 p.m. 8:00 p.m. 8:00 p.m. 8:00 p.m. 8:00 p.m. 8:00 p.m.